

September 20, 2008

Ms. Phillis Johnson-Ball  
STB  
395 E. Street, SW  
Washington, D.C. 20423

RE: STB Finance Docket #35087

Dear Ms. Johnson-Ball:

**I am writing this letter to urge the STB to deny the request for the CN to purchase the EJ & E railway. These tracks run right through the center to numerous towns in Will County, Illinois. To give you a little background on this area, Will County is one of the fastest growing Counties in the country. Many people have moved out here for a better way of life. The people who live in these towns are multi-racial and are from varying economic incomes. Too many towns and the people that live there will be affected by the sale and increased train traffic it will bring. Increased population along with increased train traffic is a disastrous mix.**

**I cannot stand by and let my country be sold out from underneath my fellow citizens by corporations who only care about money. Corporate greed has gotten this country into the mess we are in today! The CN only cares about the bottom line, and they have showed this by stating that the individual states are responsible for paying these towns to update the crossings to accommodate the increased traffic. They have continued to push for a speedy ruling on the sale and do not care about due process or how many people are adversely affected by this transaction.**

**New Lenox is called "The Home of Proud Americans"; please remember that the government works for the American people. Please vote to deny the sale of the E J & E railway to the CN. I can then truly say the New Lenox motto stands for all Americans, and not just the ones living in New Lenox, Illinois.**

Thank you for your time.

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "JoAnne Herman". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and address.

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